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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
YOSHIKAZU OGURA, ET AL. : EXAMINER: WEIER, A.J.
SERIAL NO: 10/532,727 :
FILED: APRIL 27, 2005 : ART UNIT: 1794
FOR: METHOD OF REMOVING CAFFEINE FROM CAFFEINE-CONTAINING
CATECHIN COMPOUND COMPOSITION

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated May 15, 2009 and the Advisory Action mailed September 3, 2009, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2 of this response.

Support for the Amendments begins on page 8 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this response.

Applicants note that the Amendment and Request for Reconsideration filed on August 17, 2009, was not entered even for the purpose of Appeal (see Advisory Action, paragraphs 3 and 7). In view of the non-entry of the Amendment and Request for Reconsideration filed on August 17, 2009, the claims and amendments as presented herein are relative to the last entered amendment, which was filed on February 2, 2009.